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Applicant: Abraham R. Matthews et al.

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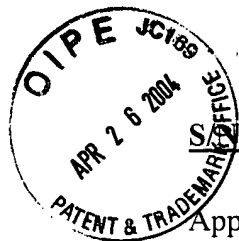
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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 22, 2004, Applicant elects without traverse, Group I (claims 1-2, 4-9 and 18-20). Applicant respectfully withdraws claims 3, 10-16 and 17 (Groups II and III) without prejudice, and reserves the right to reintroduce them in a divisional application at a later date.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representative, Thomas Brennan, at (612) 373-6909 if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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